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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gust H. Bardy et al.

Serial No.: 09/940,273

Examiner: K. Droesch

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Group Art Unit: 3762

For: CARDIOVERTER-DEFIBRILLATOR HAVING A FOCUSED SHOCKING AREA
AND ORIENTATION THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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By Kathleen L. Boekley
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Dear Sir:

The undersigned attorney has assumed responsibility for the present application. A Revocation of Prior Powers of Attorney and Power of Attorney is submitted herewith.

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2003, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on October 24, 2003. Concurrently filed herewith is a Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time, thus extending the period for response to December 24, 2003.

Please consider the following remarks:

In the Office Action dated September 24, 2003, election of species was requested. Applicant hereby elects Group I Species IV – implantable cardioverter-defibrillator of Figures 19-21 without traverse. This election corresponds to original claims 53-136. Although the Examiner has indicated that claim 1 is generic, Applicants withdraw such claim from consideration.

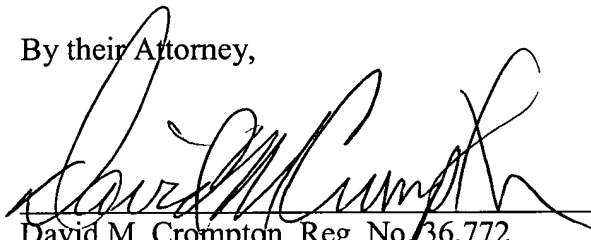
Examination of the above-identified claims is respectfully requested. If a phone conference is believed necessary to resolve any outstanding issues with respect to the above discussion, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

Gust H. Bardy et al.

By their Attorney,

Dated: 12/19/03


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